



Sowing and Reaping

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SOWING AND REAPING.

The Seed is the Word of God.



HYMN. Blessed Trinity.

- 1 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see;
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
Perfect in power, in love and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty;
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

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I. INVOCATION.

II. HYMN.


The Bible.

BARTON.

E. O. EXCELL.




1. Lamp of our feet, where-by we trace Our path when apt to stray;
2. Bread of our souls, where-on we feed; True man - na from on high;
3. Lord, grant us all a - right to learn The wis - dom it im - parts,

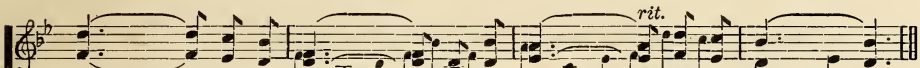


Stream from the fount of heav - en - ly grace; Brook, by the trav - 'ler's way.
Our guide and chart, where - in we read Of realms be - yond the sky.
And to its heav - n - ly teach - ing turn With sim - ple child - like hearts.

CHORUS.



Beau - ti - ful Lamp, . . . brightly shine . . . on the way, . . .
Beau - ti - ful Lamp, Beau - ti - ful Lamp, Shine on the way, Shine on the way.



Guid - ing the soul . . . to the man - sions of day. . . .
Guiding the soul, guiding the soul to the mansions of day, to the mansions of day.

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III. READING:—THE HOLY SCRIPTURES.

Forever, O Lord, Thy word is settled in heaven.

Knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

For we have not followed cunningly devised fables . . . we have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn and the day star arise in your heart.

For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because when ye received the Word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but, (as it is in truth) the Word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God which liveth and abideth forever.

IV. HYMN.

The Bread of Life.

MARY A. LATHBURY.

WM. F. SHERWIN.

1. Break Thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, As Thou didst
 2. Bless Thou the pre-cious truth, dear Lord, to me, As Thou didst

break the loaves be-side the sea; Be-yond the sa-cred page
 bless the bread by Gal-i-lee; Then shall all bond-age cease,

I seek Thee, Lord; My spir-it pants for Thee, O liv-ing Word!
 all fet-ters fall, And I shall find my peace, my all in all?

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V. BIBLE READING.

The Lord gave the Word: great was the company of those that published it.

Holding forth the Word of life.

Let him that heareth say, Come.

Freely ye have received, freely give.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

And the isles shall wait for His law.

How shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent? So then, faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.

How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things,

In the morning sow thy seed! and in the evening withhold not thy hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.

He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

VI. SINGING.

Over the World.

E. D. MUND.

Rev. E. S. LORENZ.

1. Let the light of life now shine O-ver the world! O-ver the world!

Beam with ra-di-ance di-vine, O-ver the world! O-ver the world!

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Send the word to lands ap-peal-ing, Scat-ter wide its leaves of heal-ing,
Love and life to all re-veal-ing, O-ver the world! O-ver the world!

VII. BIBLE READING.

The entrance of Thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple. Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy law. Then opened He their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures.

Blessed are they that hear the Word of God, and keep it.

Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go: keep her; for she is Thy life.

Thou hast commanded us to keep Thy precepts diligently.

Keep My commandments and live. Bind them upon Thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes. Make me to go in the path of Thy commandments?

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way?

By taking heed thereto according to Thy Word.

Thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying "This is the way, walk ye in it."

Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only.

So shalt thou find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

VIII. SINGING.

Now let Each One that Hath an Ear.

Mrs. M. G. KENNEDY.

C. DODWORTH.

Now let each one that hath an ear, Lend it to God, and for Him hear;
In each heart may God's word take root, Tongue, hands and feet for Him bear fruit.

CHORUS.
We'll re-ceive the gos-pel seed, By tak-ing now at-ten-tive heed;
Then in our turn more seed we'll sow, That all the earth God's Word may know.

IX. BIBLE READING.—Parable of the Sower.

And He spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow ;

And when He sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up :

Some fell upon stony places, where they had met much earth : and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth :

And when the sun was up, they were scorched ; and because they had no root, they withered away.

And some fell among thorns ; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them :

But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some a hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.

When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it ;

Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while : for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word ; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it ; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be ?

And he said, unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God : but to others in parables ; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.

Now the parable is this : The seed is the word of God.

Those by the way side are they that hear ; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy ; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.

And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

No man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth it with a vessel, or putteth it under a bed ; but setteth it on a candlestick, that they which enter in may see the light.

For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest ; neither any thing hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.

Take heed therefore how ye hear : for whosoever hath, to him shall be given ; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have.

X. BIBLE SYMBOL.—A Kindergarten Exercise.

XI. A LETTER FROM REV. DR. WORDEN, Superintendent of the Sabbath School and Missionary Department of our Board.

XII. OFFERINGS.

XIII. SINGING.

A Cry from Macedonia.

"Come over into Macedonia and help us."—ACTS 16: 9.

WM. B. BRADBURY.

1. { There's a cry from Ma - ce - do - nia—Come and help us; The light of the
O ye her-alds of the cross be up and do - ing Re-mem-ber the

2. { O how beau-ti - ful their feet up - on the mountains The tid - ings of
Then ye her-alds of the cross be up and do - ing, Go work in your

3. { Ye have list-ed in the arm-y of the faith - ful Like he - roes the
With the ban-ner of the cross un-furled be-fore you, The sword of the

gos - pel bring, O come! Let us hear the joy - ful tid - ings of sal-
great com-mand, A - way! Go ye forth and preach the word to ev - 'ry
peace who bring, *Who bring* To the na - tions of the earth who sit in
mas - ter's field, A - way! Sound the trumpet, sound the trum-pet of sal-
bat - tle fight, A - way! There are foes on ev - 'ry hand that will as-
spir - it wield, A - way! Ye shall conquer thro' His mer - cy who hath

Fine. CHORUS.
va - tion, We thirst for the liv - ing spring. } They shall gath-er from the East,
crea - ture, Proclaim it in ev - 'ry land. } Let the dis-tant isles be glad,
dark-ness, And tell them of Zi-on's King; }
va - tion, The Lord is your strength and shield. } Ye are marching to the land
sail you, Then gird on your arm - or bright;
loved you, The Lord is your strength and shield. }
Fine.

They shall gath-er from the West, With the pa - tri - archs of old, And the
Let them hail the Saviour's birth, And the news of par-don free, Till the
Where the saints in glo - ry stand, And the just for joy shall sing, Ye by

D. C. 1st verse for full Chorus.
ransom'd shall return To the kingdom of the blest With their harps and crowns of gold.
knowledge of the truth Shall extend to all the earth, As the wa - ters o'er the sea.
faith may bring it nigh; Ye shall reach it by and by, And your shouts of triumph ring.

XIV. Response at close by all the school in concert.

Wherefore David blessed the Lord before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed be Thou, Lord God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine: Thine is the kingdom. O Lord, and Thou art exalted as head above all.

Both riches and honor come of Thee, and Thou reignest over all; and in Thine hand is power and might; and in Thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all.

Now, therefore, our God, we thank Thee, and praise Thy glorious name.

But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things come of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

XV. REPORT OF SCHOOL.

XVI. AWARDS.

XVII. PASTOR'S ADDRESS.

XVIII. SINGING.

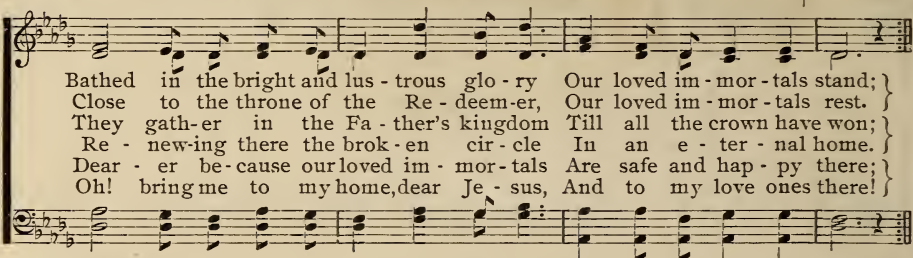
I Am Going Home.

Rev. E. A. HOFFMAN.

FOSTER.

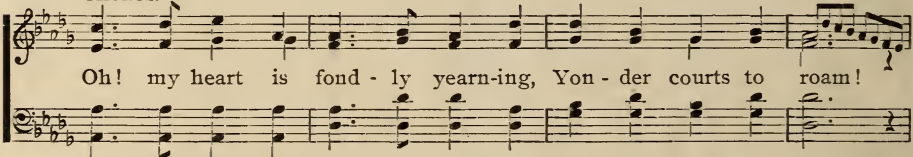


1. { Be - yond the dark, mys - ter - ious riv - er In heav'n's fair land,
2. { There in the glow of God's clear sun - light, Hap - py and blest,
3. { They leave us at the mys - tic riv - er And, one by one,
Fare - well to earth - ly friendships breathing To heav'n they come,
Heav'n is a land of light and beau - ty, Won - drous - ly fair,
For thee my ea - ger heart is yearn - ing, Coun - try so fair!

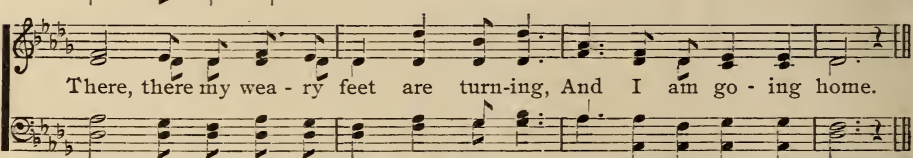


Bathed in the bright and lus - trous glo - ry Our loved im - mor - tals stand; }
Close to the throne of the Re - deem - er, Our loved im - mor - tals rest. }
They gath - er in the Fa - ther's kingdom Till all the crown have won; }
Re - new - ing there the brok - en cir - cle In an e - ter - nal home. }
Dear - er be - cause our loved im - mor - tals Are safe and hap - py there; }
Oh! bring me to my home, dear Je - sus, And to my love ones there! }

CHORUS.



Oh! my heart is fond - ly yearn - ing, Yon - der courts to roam!



There, there my wea - ry feet are turn - ing, And I am go - ing home.

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XIX. PRAYER. Benediction.